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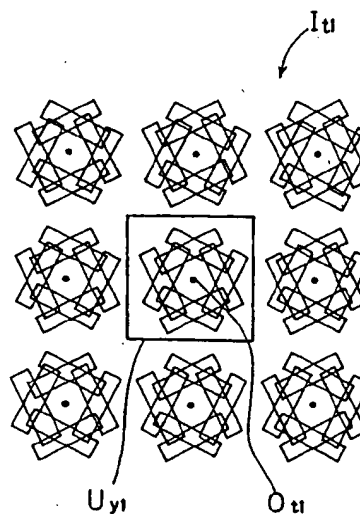
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(54) **Method of recording halftone dot image.**

(57) Screen patterns for respective color components are represented by arrays of unit regions. The arrays for respective color components have a same array pitch and a same array orientation. Color component images are converted into color component halftone dot images through the screen patterns. When the density of the color component images is in a predetermined range, the color component halftone dot images have a plurality of linear dot elements in each unit region. The plurality of linear dot elements extend in a predetermined direction which is different for each color component.

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